

Minutes from *Monadnock Beekeepers Association* General Meeting

March 7th, 2024 @5:30pm Keene Public Library/Zoom

Meeting called to order at @5:55pm

Attendees: Suzanne Brouillette; Deorah Abbott; Larry Cummings; Fred and Deccie Peters; John Therriault; Matt Barrett; Sharon Clarke; Cathy Schuman; Jim Manley; Mike Plunkett; Michelle Randell; Greg Kittredge; Anja and Rob DeLuca
Zoom: George Preston; Amber Dewey; Kristin Bay, Charles Frederico; Jonathan

- I. Matt welcomed new members and the folks attending via zoom.
- II. Minutes from February 2024 were accepted and approved.
- III. Treasury Report: no report for this meeting.
- IV. Beeschool Update:
 - 13 new beekeepers attended classes. Matt thanked Stephanie, Bruce and Rick for their efforts. Next class will be with Matt to show how to build equipment.
 - There is a suggestion to make some changes to the hives at Stonewall Farm: Matt wants to experiment with Michael Palmer double nucs and potentially a keepers hive if the club can secure one.
 - The hives are not for sale yet but potentially someone can pick up one in PA.
 - The Keepers Hive will be our guest speakers next month.
- V. Presidents Report:
 - Amber asked to please sign the petition after the meeting.
 - Michelle Randell: there are handouts with events and information where volunteers are needed. Please contact Michelle for any further information.
 - Cathy Schuman has some materials that could be used for events.
 - Volunteer needed to bring refreshments for April Meeting
 - MBA still needs volunteer photographers to take pictures at events.
 - Bylaws: draft is ready and will be send out shortly.
- VI. New Business:
 - New England Homesteaders Fall Gathering will be at the Cheshire Fairgrounds - MBA was offered a booth.
 - Hillsborough County Conservation District will hold a Spring Plant Sale.
 - AZ Slovenian Hives: Suzanne has a shipment coming in - people interested can reach out to Suzanne,

VII. Speaker: Mike Plunkett, Member Coordinator NHBA

VIII. Next meeting: April 4th, Heberton Hall, Keene Public Library
5:30 -7:30 pm

Meeting Adjourned at 6:55pm
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